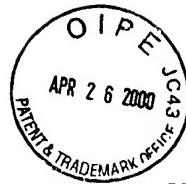


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PARESH V. KITCHLOO AND)
ROBERT A. SALLAVANTI) for INFUSION OF DYE USING A
Serial No. 09/547,088) PLASTICIZER
Filed April 11, 2000)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Asst. Commission for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before Action by the Examiner, please amend the claim as follows. In each of claims 12, 13 and 14, change "14" to --11--. The foregoing amendment is intended to correct the obvious clerical error that claims 12, 13, and 14 should each depend upon claim 11.

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